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IN THE ABSTRACT

Page 10, lines 2-7 have been amended as follows:

A band includes a split compound yarn and a rubber yarn woven together with the split compound yarn. The band is made by ~~means of~~ a process including a step of making the compound yarn, a step of providing the rubber yarn, a step of weaving the compound yarn together with the rubber yarn so as to form the band, and a step of washing the band so as to split the compound yarn.